

HOUSE No. 2853

By Ms. Khan of Newton, petition of Kay Khan and others relative to medical services at the Bridgewater State Hospital. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Kay Khan	Shirley Owens-Hicks
Doug W. Petersen	Elizabeth A. Malia
Kathleen M. Teahan	Anne M. Paulsen
Barbara A. L'Italien	Joyce A. Spiliotis

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO BRIDGEWATER STATE HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 18 of Chapter 125 of the General Laws, as appearing in
- 2 the 1998 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the
- 3 following paragraph:—
- 4 The medical director shall ensure that Bridgewater State Hos-
- 5 pital provides services in compliance with all applicable federal
- 6 and state standards, statutes, and regulations. The medical director
- 7 shall seek, and make every effort to obtain and retain, accredita-
- 8 tion by the National Commission on Correctional Health Care and
- 9 the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.